



CITY MANAGER WEEKLY UPDATE

For Week Ending August 2, 2013

Paul Eldredge, City Manager



ADMINISTRATION

Brentwood Library Hosts Town Hall Meeting

The Contra Costa County Library is updating its Countywide Strategic Plan. The Strategic Plan will guide their work over the next several years. Their goal is to continually work to ensure materials, services and programs meet the ever-changing needs of their patrons and the communities in which they serve. As part of this process, a Town Hall Meeting has been scheduled in each community where residents and stakeholders can share their vision and voice their opinions on the Library and what its priorities and goals should be. The Town Hall Meeting for the Brentwood community has been scheduled for Wednesday, August 21, 2013 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in the Brentwood Community Center located at 35 Oak Street. Take this opportunity to provide input about the Library's Strategic Plan and how they can better serve the community. For more information on the Contra Costa County Library, please visit www.ccclib.org.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

General Plan Update ("GPU") Working Group

The Working Group met on August 1 and reviewed the draft set of goals, policies, and action items related to two topics that had been discussed previously – Conservation and Open Space. The Working Group then discussed two new topics – Community Design and Community Health. The next meeting will be held on August 15 at 6:00 p.m. in the Brentwood Community Center (35 Oak Street), at which time the Working Group will be discussing another new topic – Land Use. For information about the GPU, please visit the project website at www.brentwood.generalplan.org or contact Taira Ordaz in the City's Community Development Department at (925) 516-5405 or tordaz@brentwoodca.gov.

Entrepreneur Training Program

The City is accepting applications for its annual Entrepreneur Training Program. This seven-week class (held Sept. 16 – Oct. 30) is designed specifically for the owners of existing Brentwood businesses and new start-up ventures. In previous years, this program has helped more than 50 Brentwood businesses to solve business problems, adjust to changing market conditions, and plan for future growth. Instruction is being provided by well-known business consultant Jeffrey G. Hall. To apply, please complete and submit the application, which is available at: [2013 Brentwood Entrepreneur Training Program Application](#).

Two free informational sessions will be held on August 12 and August 26 at 10:00 a.m. on the 2nd floor of City Hall (150 City Park Way). For more information, please contact Peggy Trudell at either ptrudell@brentwoodca.gov or (925) 516-5405.

Regional Partnership to Attract Tech Industry

Staff is helping to plan a new regional initiative to attract advanced manufacturing, engineering, and transportation/logistics industries to the East Bay. The "Design it! Build it! Ship it!" initiative is a \$14.9 million project, funded by the U.S. Department of Labor, to improve workforce development resources in the East Bay and align them to the needs of key tech-oriented industries. The initiative includes U.C. Berkeley, Cal State East Bay, Contra Costa Community College District, the East Bay EDA, and other stakeholders. On July 31, staff attended a steering committee meeting to kick off strategic planning efforts for this initiative.

PARKS AND RECREATION

Starry Nights in Brentwood Summer Concert Series

Tonight (August 2) the East Bay's very own OpenRoad will play high-energy, instantly recognizable music from Motown to modern that will pull you onto the dance floor. Recipient of Gigmasters.com's "Best of 2012 Award," and nominated by "Best of the Bay TV" as one of 2009's "Best Bands in the Bay Area, OpenRoad is a six-piece group showcasing Bernadette, a female lead vocalist with a real flair for connecting with the audience.



Next Friday, August 9, join us as San Francisco-based "Swing Fever" hits the stage. Dedicated to the music of the swing era, and playing it "as though the numbers are on today's Hit Parade," the band treats swing era music as a living, breathing form. Each of the players brings a fresh excitement, new arrangements and unusual instrumentation to the group. Clever, fun, romantic, moody, witty – here is wonderful, classic music presented in its full emotional range.

For the complete schedule of the Starry Nights concert series, please see the attached flyer.

Free parking is available in the parking garage located at 100 City Park Way (between City Hall and the Community Center). Please do not bring glass containers or audio/video recording devices, and alcohol is not permitted in City Park. Dogs must be leashed and their owners are responsible for cleaning up after them. Don't forget your lawn chairs, blanket and picnic basket and enjoy our summer concerts in the park. For more information, please contact Parks and Recreation at (925) 516-5444.

POLICE

Public Safety Forum

The City of Brentwood is pleased to announce their first Public Safety Forum, which will take place on Saturday, August 17, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at the Brentwood Community Center (35 Oak Street). Admission is free, and all residents are encouraged to attend this event. Please see the attached Press Release for more information.



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County-wide Gun Buyback Program

This Saturday, August 3, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., a county-wide gun buyback event will be conducted by local police departments in collaboration with the Contra Costa County District Attorney's Office.

This event will allow Contra Costa County citizens to anonymously turn in operable firearms in exchange for gift cards in the amount of \$50, \$100, or \$200. County residents are asked to transport the firearms to the exchange locations in their vehicle trunk, unloaded with the safety on. Police officers will be ready to accept the firearms with no questions asked. Residents may be asked to show an ID or utility bill only as proof of residency in Contra Costa County.

The gun buyback event will be conducted at three locations: the Contra Costa County Fairgrounds in Antioch (arrive at main entrance on W. 10th Street), hosted by the Antioch, Brentwood, and Pittsburg Police Departments; the parking lot for the Concord Pavilion (2000 Kirker Pass Rd.), hosted by the Concord and Martinez Police Departments; and the City of Richmond City Hall (450 Civic Center Plaza), hosted by the Richmond Police Department.

Chevron Oil Company, Shell Oil Company, Phillips 66 Oil Company, Tesoro Oil Company, 4Richmond, Republic Services, Pittsburg Power Company, City of Richmond, City of Concord, City of Antioch, and the City of Martinez have pledged to contribute financially to this program; the Contra Costa County District Attorney's Office is also contributing \$20,000.00, and will accept donations. To contribute to this fund, please contact Senior Deputy District Attorney Bruce Flynn at (925) 957-8543. Please see the attached flyer for more information.

DUI Enforcement

The Brentwood Police Department will be joining law enforcement agencies throughout California stepping up DUI enforcement at the end of the traditional summer season through Labor Day (August 16 through September 2). During this period, there will be an increase in law enforcement presence on the roads, including additional officers and DUI checkpoints throughout the state, and those caught driving under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs will be arrested.

The Brentwood Police Department Traffic Unit will be conducting a DUI/Drivers' License Checkpoint on August 16, on Sand Creek Road near Highland Way, between the hours of 7:00 p.m. and 1:00 a.m. Specially trained officers will be on hand.

Funding for this checkpoint is provided to the Brentwood Police Department by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. For more information, please [view this message on the web](#).

PUBLIC WORKS

PG&E Projects within Brentwood

- Pipeline Safety Enhancement Plan:

As a part of PG&E's multi-year Pipeline Safety Enhancement Plan, PG&E is replacing an existing gas pipeline with a new 24-inch gas pipeline in Fairview Avenue. PG&E is performing re-inspection work and testing of the new pipeline from Balfour Road north to



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Fairview Court. As part of the inspection and hydro-testing, up to 20 large water containers will be temporarily placed along Fairview Avenue at different locations for the next several weeks. These tanks will be filled with water, and used to test the integrity of the new pipeline. Connection points will be constructed after testing.

The last part of work for PG&E to complete this project is the resurfacing and re-striping of Fairview Avenue from Balfour Road north to Fairview Court, which is anticipated to be completed by late fall. Detours will be in place and traffic delays should be expected between the weekday hours of 7:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. and Saturdays from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. For more information please contact William Calvin of PG&E at (925) 421-5255. The latest traffic alert information associated with this work can be found on the City of Brentwood's website by clicking on the following link: [Road Conditions](#).

- **St. Andrews Road Project:**

This project will involve the replacement of a gas pipeline on St. Andrews Drive between Mountain View Drive and Spyglass Drive. The work will begin this month.

- **Minnesota Avenue Project:**

PG&E will be adding an additional service line to improve service along Minnesota Avenue between Central Boulevard and Deer Creek just south of Bristow Middle School. The work will begin this month.

City staff will continue coordinating with PG&E to ensure impacts to the community and school traffic are minimized and will be paying particular attention to the cumulative effects of these projects on traffic in the neighborhoods.

County Public Works will Perform Roadwork

The Contra Costa County Public Works Department will perform roadwork in the Brentwood and Byron areas the week of August 5. Work will be performed on Walnut Blvd., Camino Diablo, Longwell Avenue, Byron Highway and Orwood Road. Maintenance crews will place a chip seal. This involves spraying liquid asphalt on pavement, followed by spreading a layer of small aggregate rock that is embedded into the oil. The majority of the work will occur between 6:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m., Monday thru Friday. Sweeping of excess rock may occur up until 10:00 p.m. Some Saturday work may also be required. Electronic message boards will advise motorists of planned work in advance. Motorists can expect delays and are advised to use alternate routes. The speed limit through work zones will be 25 miles per hour. [More information and details about specific roads to be treated can be found online.](#)

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City of Brentwood Presents

Starry Nights in Brentwood

Summer Concert Series 2013

City Park 7:00pm

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| June 14 | The Floorshakers Funk/Soul/Rock & Roll |
| June 21 | The PhD's R&B/Latin |
| June 28 | Fulton St. Jazz Band Dixieland |
| July 5 | Summerset Big Band featuring
Mike Spellman singing Frank Sinatra |
| July 19 | Loose Blues Funk/Soul |
| July 26 | Laurent Fourgo & His Combo Jazz Standards |
| August 2 | Open Road Band Motown |
| August 9 | Swing Fever Big Band 30's & 40's |
| August 16 | Hipwaders Children's Concert (Starts at 6:30PM) |

All patrons are asked to follow park rules
before, during and after the concerts.
No Glass Containers • No Audio/Video Recording Devices





PRESS RELEASE

POLICE DEPARTMENT

The City of Brentwood is pleased to announce their first Public Safety Forum in August. Presenters from the Brentwood Police Department and the East Contra Costa County Fire District will share important information about public safety at a Community Forum on August 17th. Topics will include Neighborhood Watch, crime prevention, internet threats to children, bullying, C.E.R.T., smoke detectors, exit drills in the home, Vial of Life program, and hands only CPR. A Question and Answer session will follow the presentations. All residents are encouraged to attend this event.

The forum will take place on Saturday, August 17th, from 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. at the Brentwood Community Center, 35 Oak Street. Admission is free. Below is the agenda for the event:

10:00 Welcome / Introductions
10:05 Neighborhood Watch
10:15 Crime Prevention
10:25 Internet Threats to Children
10:35 Bullying
10:45 C.E.R.T. (Community Emergency Response Team)
10:55 Questions and Answers
11:10 Hands only CPR / Vial of Life / Smoke Detectors / Exit Drills in the Home
11:45 Questions and Answers
12:00 End

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Contra Costa County

GUN BUYBACK PROGRAM



Contra Costa County
Residents can anonymously
turn in guns:

— **Saturday, August 3, 2013**
10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

— **East County:** At the County Fairgrounds
Main Entrance on W. 10th St.
Central County: At the Concord Pavilion
West County: At Richmond City Hall

UP TO \$50
FOR RIFLES AND SHOTGUNS

UP TO \$100
FOR HANDGUNS

UP TO \$200
FOR ASSAULT WEAPONS AS
CLASSIFIED IN THE STATE OF
CALIFORNIA

*PAYMENT IN GIFT CARDS
*WEAPONS MUST BE IN
WORKING CONDITION

FUNDS ARE LIMITED & SUBJECT TO AVAILABILITY

We reserve the right to limit the amount of funds an
Individual can receive regardless of the number of firearms surrendered.

More Info: (925) 957-8543

Please Transport Your Firearms Unloaded And In The Trunk Of Your Vehicle

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